

Daniel Folke

From: Diane Hope <di.hope@live.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 14, 2016 5:36 PM
To: Tammy Bishop; Daniel Folke
Cc: Rose Houk
Subject: RE: City Public Works Yard Update

Hello Tammy & Dan,

Just one question. If/when the city yard property is sold off for high density residential development ...
how will the W Sante Fe/South Milton road system cope with the traffic?

On Friday afternoon this week Sante Fe was backed-up half way to Thorpe Park. The roads in this area simply won't take the load of more housing/parking/cars etc in this part of town -- without a new crossing point to get vehicles across (under) the railroad tracks in the vicinity of W Coconino Ave (an underpass??).

The cost of constructing this should be factored in to any development plans that add significantly to traffic on these streets and paid for by the people benefiting from that development (i.e. the City AND the housing developers).

Diane Hope PhD, resident of west downtown

From: tbishop@flagstaffaz.gov
To: tbishop@flagstaffaz.gov
Subject: RE: City Public Works Yard Update
Date: Fri, 13 May 2016 21:49:53 +0000

I have attached an updated flyer regarding the Community Meeting on Mogollon Public Works Yard Wednesday May 18, 2016, 5:30 PM at Joe. C Montoya Community & Senior Center, 245 N. Thorpe Rd.
Thank you,
Tammy

Tammy Bishop, Administrative Specialist
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Daniel Folke

From: Ellen Ryan <rrrellen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 9:42 AM
To: Daniel Folke
Subject: Public Works Yard questions

Dan,

I will be unable to attend the meeting tomorrow, but do have concerns. I worked with neighbors to preserve the Townsite neighborhood and develop the Townsite Historic Design Review Overlay District Design Standards and Guidelines. The City Yard is close to the Townsite neighborhood. I also own property on Aspen Avenue. I am in agreement with many neighbors that the property should remain a park. If that is not possible, I would like to see the development similar in scale to the townsite neighborhood.

I have concerns that the meeting tomorrow and quick turnaround time of council meetings about this property might mean that the majority on the council have already made up their minds and will vote to push ahead, no matter how many people oppose the sale and development. Do they intend to repeal the park designation of the property?

This particular property within city limits is a jewel and cannot be replaced once gone. Given all the other projects competing for infill with high density (HUB, Marriot, St. Mary's property), to add more will just undermine the value of the historic areas of town that add so much to Flagstaff's character. This trend is not one that is sustainable.

Thank you for taking comments,
Ellen Ryan

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From: Kathy Flaccus <kkflaccus@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 04, 2016 2:55 PM
To: Daniel Folke
Subject: please keep the city yard as park

Kathy Flaccus

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Dear Flagstaff Planners,

June 4, 2016

I have lived in Flagstaff since 1972 and taught science (mostly Environmental Science and Chemistry) at Coconino and Sinagua High Schools for over 25 years. Also, I am a long time advocate for parks in Flagstaff because I know the benefits to my students and the community. I enthusiastically support keeping the City Yard as park land. It is almost impossible for Flagstaff to purchase additional parkland and we need to guard what we have already dedicated as park.

Last Thursday evening I was at Frances Short Pond. There were at least one hundred people there, enjoying the pond and open space. Kids, grandparents, families, young parents with children in strollers, teens, runners, and birdwatchers and FUTS users were all in the area. It is a well-loved place! Just across from the pond, softball teams were playing and a youth soccer team was practicing on the duck pond field. Every field and every part of the park was occupied. The city yard is adjacent to the pond and the fields. We need this space as parkland to accommodate the needs of this active outdoor loving community!

Please work to keep the City Yard as parkland.

Sincerely,

Kathy Flaccus

Daniel Folke

From: Glenn Rink <faroutbotany@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 14, 2016 10:39 AM
To: Daniel Folke; collier houk
Subject: public yard and Thorpe Park

Dan,

I don't think I'll make the meeting on Wednesday, but I have some input into the public yard 'disposal' process.

1) I don't think that the city had it in mind back in the 40s that this land would ever part from Thorpe Park and become high density housing.

2) We can rarely ever get open space back. Open space is of high value to Flagstaff residents.

3) Just because it is convenient for the City to sell this land, does not mean it is the right thing to do.

4) selling this land will be a negative blow to the public trust, similar to when the MNA sold off part of their museum holdings to make up budget shortfalls and lost their accreditation. I would also liken it to the NPS potentially selling off part of Grand Canyon National Park to make up for their bad fiscal decisions of the last few years.

5) development of more housing in this area will have significant negative impacts on traffic issues in this neighborhood.

6) selling off public parks sets a horrible precedent.

I urge you to do whatever you can to reinstate the land of the city yard to Thorpe Park, and not sell it off to make a short term buck.

Thanks for your efforts on behalf of the residents of Flagstaff.

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Glenn Rink
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